WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 4270

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served March 30, 1994

Application of FIROUZ HEJAZI,)	Case No.	AP-94-12
Trading as URBAN EXPRESS, for a Certificate of Authority Irregular Route Operations)		
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By application accepted for filing March 28, 1994, Firouz Hejazi, trading as Urban Express (applicant), a sole proprietor, seeks a certificate of authority to transport passengers in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District, restricted to transportation in vehicles with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 15 or fewer persons, including the driver.

The application includes information regarding, among other things, applicant's facilities, proposed tariff, finances, and regulatory compliance record. The application is available for inspection at the office of the Commission during its regular business hours.

Applicant proposes commencing operations with a 4-passenger van. Applicant's proposed tariff contains a single, one-way, per capita rate for transportation between Washington National Airport and Washington-Dulles International Airport, on the one hand, and points in the Metropolitan District, on the other.

Applicant has not requested baggage authority even though airport passengers normally carry luggage. Applicant will be directed to file a statement expressly requesting or declining authority to transport baggage in the same vehicles as passengers.

Item 6(d) on page 4 of the application is blank. Applicant will be directed to file an amended page 4 with Item 6(d) completed, signed and notarized.

In determining whether to grant or deny an application for a certificate of authority, the Compact at Title II, Article XI, Section 7 requires that the Commission determine whether an applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform the transportation properly and conform to the provisions of the Compact and the Commission's rules, regulations, and requirements and whether the transportation is consistent with the public interest. Pursuant to Commission Rule No. 6, this order and fulfillment of its requirements will provide notice of this application.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That applicant shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, no later than Monday, April 11, 1994, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.

- 2. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than Monday, May 2, 1994, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.
- 3. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than Monday, April 11, 1994, an original and four copies of a statement expressly requesting or declining authority to transport baggage in the same vehicles as passengers.
- 4. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than Monday, April 11, 1994, an original and four copies of an amended page 4 with Item 6(d) completed, signed and notarized.
- 5. That any person wanting to protest the application, in accordance with Commission Rule No. 13 and Regulation No. 54-04(a), and any person wanting to comment on the application, in accordance with Regulation No. 54-04(a), shall file such protest or comment at the office of the Commission, 1828 L Street, N.W., Suite 703, Washington, DC 20036-5104, no later than Monday, May 2, 1994, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or comment on applicant, Mr. Firouz Hejazi, trading as Urban Express, 17316 Buehler Road, Olney, MD 20832.
- 6. That any person seeking a formal oral hearing on this matter, in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 54-04(b), shall request one no later than Monday, May 2, 1994, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such request on applicant, Mr. Firouz Hejazi, trading as Urban Express, 17316 Buehler Road, Olney, MD 20832.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

William H. McGilvery

Executive Directór